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Box No. I Basis of the report

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This report is based on a translation from the original language into the following language _____, which is the language of a translation furnished for the purposes of:

- international search (under Rules 12.3 and 23.1(b))
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the claims:

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Box No. V Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement

1. Statement

Novelty (N)	Claims	<u>1-10</u>	YES
	Claims	_____	NO
Inventive step (IS)	Claims	<u>1-10</u>	YES
	Claims	_____	NO
Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims	<u>1-10</u>	YES
	Claims	_____	NO

2. Citations and explanations (Rule 70.7)

Documents cited in the International Search Report:

D1: US 6185600 B1

D2: US 6151390 A

The cited documents represent the general state of the art. The invention defined in claims 1-10 is not disclosed by any of these documents.

The cited prior art does not give any indication that would lead a person skilled in the art to the claimed method for monitoring an information system. Therefore, the claimed invention is not obvious to a person skilled in the art.

Accordingly, the invention defined in claims 1-10 is novel and is considered to involve an inventive step. The invention is industrially applicable.

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NOTIFICATION CONCERNING
AMENDMENTS OF THE CLAIMS(PCT Rule 62 and
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The International Bureau hereby transmits a copy of the amendments to the claims under Article 19 together with any accompanying statement (Rule 62).

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Your ref: 16 October 2003 Notification of Transmittal
 of the International Search Report
 Our ref: 395.898PCT METHOD FOR MONITORING AND
 MANAGING AN INFORMATION SYSTEM.

Amended claims in PCT/SE03/01264

Please find enclosed a set of amended claims regarding PCT/SE03/01264. These amendments are made under Article 19 after receipt of the International Search Report, mailed 16 OCTOBER 2003.

The amended claim 1 essentially comprises the new limitation of linking the metrics parameter to events so that the metrics parameter counts the number of events and sends an alert signal to the engine when the threshold value has been exceeded. The protocol conversions enable a consumer unit to display the metrics parameter linked to the events in real time. None of the cited references teaches or suggests these added limitations in combination with the original limitations of claim 1. Claims 2-10 have not been amended. None of the cited references teaches or suggests the limitations of claims 2-10 either.

For example, Spence merely appears to disclose a universal browser for a network that includes a universal user interface and various product specific interfaces. The steps of linking metrics parameters to events that are going through protocol conversions so that a consumer unit may display the metrics parameters in real time is completely missing from the Spence patent.

The Volftsun reference also lacks the limitation added

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to claim 1. The patent merely discusses protocol conversions using channel associated signaling. It is submitted that Voltsun fails to disclose all the new limitations added to the amended claim 1. There is no teaching or suggestion of linking metrics parameters to events and sending an alert signal when a threshold value is exceeded and converting the information into many protocols so that the metrics parameter may be viewed by a consumer in real time.

It is submitted that none of the cited references teaches or suggest the limitations of the amended claim 1. Claims 2-10 are submitted to be allowable because they depend upon the allowable base claim 1.

Therefore, it is submitted that claims 1-10 are allowable over the cited references.

We hope that the new claims will result in a written opinion that allows the new claims.

Yours very truly,

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AMENDED CLAIMS

1. A method of monitoring an information system, comprising:

providing a real-time engine unit (12) in communication with a broker unit (14), the engine unit (12) having an event source unit (30) and a metrics source unit (32);

the event source unit (30) monitoring an event unit (42);

the engine unit (12) receiving an event signal (94) from the source unit (30) in a first protocol language;

linking a metrics parameter (48) of the unit (32) to events in the event unit (42) of the event source unit (30);

the metrics parameter (48) counting a number of event occurrences of the event unit (42);

the metrics parameter (48) comparing the number of event occurrences to a threshold value;

the metrics parameter (48) sending an alert signal (96) when the number of event occurrences is greater than the threshold value;

the engine unit (12) receiving the alert signal (96) from the source unit (32) in a second protocol language;

the engine unit (12) converting the first protocol language of the signal (94) and the second protocol language of the signal (96) to a third protocol language;

the engine unit (12) transmitting a signal (74) in the third protocol language, the signal (74) containing information from the signals (94, 96);

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the broker unit (14) receiving information of the signal (74) in the third protocol language, the unit (14) converting the information in the third protocol language to a universal protocol language that is understood by a plurality of consumers (16a-16f);

the broker unit (14) sending signals (78a~78f) containing the information in the universal protocol language to the consumer units (16a-16f), respectively; and

the consumer units (16a-16f) receiving the signals (78a-78f) and displaying, in real-time, the metrics parameter (48) linked to the events in the event unit (32).

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2. The method according to claim 1 wherein the method further comprises the engine unit (12) filtering information and correlating events.

3. The method according to claim 1 wherein the method further comprises the engine unit (12) is only able to communicate with the broker unit (14).

4. The method according to claim 1 wherein the method further comprises the broker unit (14) converting information from the engine unit (12) to a format that is readable by all the consumers (16a-16f).

5. The method according to claim 1 wherein the method further comprises the broker unit (14) communicating with the engine unit (12) in a unique language (73) that is only used in communication with the broker unit (14) and the engine unit (12).

6. The method according to claim 1 wherein the method further comprises the broker unit (14) converting information in a signal (74) to a uniform protocol (76) that is understood by all the consumers (16a-16f).

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7. The method according to claim 1 wherein the method further comprises the source unit (30) monitoring events (42) without retrieving the events (42).
8. The method according to claim 7 wherein the method further comprises grading the event (42) according to a severity grade.
9. The method according to claim 1 wherein the method further comprises the event (42) triggering a second event.
10. The method according to claim 1 wherein the method further comprises the metric source unit (32) monitoring metric parameters.